Minutes Native American Landscape Subcommittee 7/23/02

Elk Grove Maintenance Station

ATTENDING

Kathy Wallace, CIBA NAAC representative Cassandra Hensher, CIBA David Beach, HQ Maintenance Larry Shields, HQ Maintenance Tom Ham, D 11 Landscape Architect Kathleen Sartorius, North Region NAL

Minutes for 5/22/02 meeting approved with clarification of herbicide avoidance efforts. "Avoid herbicide spraying of plants/areas used by Native Americans. Work with Native Americans to identify specific sites."

It was requested that we include Native American in the title of the committee to distinguish it from other Landscape committees. The committee will discuss a name change at a future meeting.

DISCUSSION

Maintenance

Discussion at 5/22/02 meeting was on a process to assure that information about gathering sites identified by Native Americans was conveyed to Maintenance. It was decided that the DNAC should work with the District Vegetation Management Team (DVMT). The discussion this meeting was on how to facilitate a working relationship between DNACs and DVMTs and have each understand their respective roles. It was decided to develop information packets that would contain the following:

- Mission of Subcommittee
- Map of Tribal Areas
- ESAs on GIS as this is developed for each district by Environmental staff.
- Names of DNACs
- Names of Landscape Specialist in each district who is a member of the DVMT
- Web site with minutes and other info

Cassandra Hensher (or another subcommittee member?) will give a Power Point presentation at the Landscape Architect Academy in Lake Arrowhead the week of September 30. The presentation will be an overview of the Basketmakers/Gathers concerns and needs. The presentation will include information on 106 laws.

Project Development

The committee wants to develop a process for Native Americans to work with Landscape architects as part of the Project development process. Tom Ham will work with the committee. He will contact Keith Robinson about a HQ Landscape Architect representative.

Other

Larry provided a list of District Landscape Specialists who chair the DVMTs. Cassandra provided a copy of the D10 ESA form used to protect sites.

FUTURE TOPICS

- 1. Adopt a Highway and how to use the program to manage gathering sites.
- 2. Native American consultation on environmental issues not just archaeology.
- 3. Landscape specialists would like ESAs available on GIS and a web site with information.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Kathleen will provide information on gathering permit process in D1 for next meeting.
- 2. Kathleen will provide information packet for new committee members. Kathleen will send DNAC list to Larry Shields.
- 3. Landscape specialists need a list of DNACs/DNALs for Larry Shields.

Contact for Elk Grove Maintenance Station is John Alameda

Possible next meeting date- September 12.